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INFORMATION INPUT APPARATUS AND METHOD

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In reply to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2001, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 19, 20, 22-24, 32-35, 37, 39 and 42-44 as

follows:

(Twice Amended) An information input apparatus, comprising:

animaging device that forms images of a subject;

a sound recording device that records sounds;

a storage medium that stores at least one of the images formed by the imaging

device and the sounds input by the sound recording device;

a release switch that initiates a predetermined process;

a sound effect output device that outputs a preset sound effect when the

release switch is operated; and